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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

1. [] the registration section in the Chemnitz Landkreiss that Section No 5 would be dissolved at the result of a re-organization. Sections Nos 1 and 2 were scheduled to handle the missions of Section No 3 whose future missions were still unclear. Section No 4 did not yet exist.¹
2. Schmeisser (fnu), formerly chief of the registration administration in the district of Chemnitz was dismissed on orders of the Ministry of the Interior. Captain Roscher (fnu), chief of the Chemnitz-Land registration section served as deputy chief at the district registration administration.²
- 25X1 3. [] officers who had proved reliable would remain at the district registration administrations and the registration sections of the Kreise while other officers would be detached to the units. All civilian employees except two and one typist were scheduled to be dismissed by 15 August 1953 for lack of funds.³
4. Colonel Goshringer (fnu) of the Ministry of the Interior, who toured the registration sections in the Kreise stated that the remaining employees would not be discharged prior to mid-1954.³
5. The KVP recruiting campaign was suspended about one week prior to the June rebellion on orders of the Ministry of the Interior. There had been no meetings of the recruiting commissions in the Kreise. The officers of the registration administrations in the districts and the registration sections in the Kreise received administrative and firing training as a result of the insignificant volume of work which had to be done. They were given 12 hours of German lessons and 6 hours of political indoctrination but failed had to engage in athletic activities.³
6. On 13 July, functionaries in Cohnstuecken were told that the KVP would be reduced and that the establishment of national forces would be postponed. They also learned that these forces would have to defend the fatherland and the achievements of the GDR rather than liberate West Germany and []

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of the registration sections in the Kreise. These chiefs received orders to contact the labor offices on KVPs who proved unreliable in conjunction with the June events and who were to be prevented from obtaining leading positions in the industry or economy.

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7. The registration section in Kreis Salzwedel continued working prior to 11 July 1953. The employees of this office have worn civilian clothing for some time.⁴

8. From 6 to 18 July, about 60 soldiers of the S-5 Regiment under the command of Major Boerner (fnu) were dismissed in the area of Armeegruppe Nord. [redacted] these dismissed soldiers could get no other employment as a result of their poor efficiency reports, especially as all attempts to get employment as construction workers at the place of dismissal had failed. Additional officers and personnel were scheduled to be dismissed in about two weeks. No changes were observed in the S-6 Regiment of Major Auerbach (fnu),

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9. On 10 July, trucks occupied by officers and personnel carrying full pack were repeatedly seen proceeding from Altwarp toward Pasewalk. There were rumors that they went to Poland.⁵

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10. [redacted] almost all Soviet advisors again wore Soviet uniforms. There were only three of these officers who still wore VP uniforms. The Soviet advisors, who frequently engaged in drinking bouts, stated that they would soon leave, but had no information on their destination.⁵

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11. [redacted] the labor union leader and several party functionaries, [redacted] the central party instructor, that the mass recruiting campaign for the KVP had been suspended and that only a selection of FDJ members would be recruited in future.⁵

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1. [redacted] Comment. Section No 5 was the administrative section of the Kreis registration office. Section No 3 was responsible for recruiting. Section No 1 was responsible for NCOs and personnel and Section No 2 registered KVP officers. Since Sections Nos 1 and 2 are scheduled to handle the missions of Section No 3, there is reason for believing that a limited recruiting activity will still be conducted.

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2. [redacted] Comment. Major Schmuesser and Captain Roscher were previously reported in the positions mentioned.

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3. [redacted] Comment. The reduction of personnel probably means a restriction of the activity of the recruiting offices. Efforts will probably be made to enlist only reliable elements.

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4. [redacted] Comment. This information is rather vague. It is believed that the activity of the recruiting offices will temporarily be reduced.

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5. [redacted] Comment. These reports are in the nature of rumors and must be doubted.

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